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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/282,860	03/31/1999	JONATHAN P. BREZIN	YO999-121	9207

TITLE OF INVENTION: OPTIMIZATION OF SYSTEM PERFORMANCE BASED ON COMMUNICATION RELATIONSHIP

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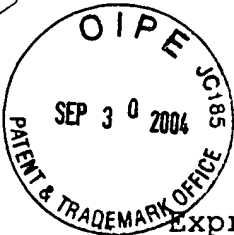
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In Re Application of : September 30, 2004  
J. P. Brezin, et al : Group Art No.: 2172  
Serial No. 09/282,860 : Examiner: J. Fluering  
Filed: March 31, 1999 : for IBM Corporation  
Anne Vachon Dougherty  
Title: OPTIMIZATION OF SYSTEM 3173 Cedar Road  
PERFORMANCE BASED ON Yorktown Heights, NY 10598  
COMMUNICATION RELATIONSHIP

LETTER TO OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN

Sir:

Enclosed please find fifteen (15) formal drawings for above-identified patent application, which has a Notice of Allowance date of April 28, 2004 and a Notice of Allowance Confirmation Number of 9207.

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